

U.S. CRIMINAL SYSTEM STUDIED BY NOTED BRITISH SLEUTH

AGED RUNAWAY RETURNS HOME AT AGE OF 75

'I'm Ready to Settle Down, But I'd Kinda Like Just to See Cuba,' He Says

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 9.—This is the true story of America's champion boy runaway.

He ran away to the west to fight the Indians 57 years ago. He fought 'em to his heart's content and today at 75 he's come back home to his sister, Mrs. Mary H. Kilburn, who 13 years ago gave him up for dead.

The fated calf will be killed at Christmas.

Greer was born in Aurelius, N. Y., in 1848. At 16 he joined the Union army and fought until he was put out of action by a wound at Gettysburg.

Goes West

In 1865 the "prodigal son" spirit seized him and he took Horace Greeley's advice to go west. He landed at Leavenworth, Kas., then an outpost of civilization. He began driving an ox team hauling freight to Denver.

When this lost its thrill Greer pushed further west and took up ox teaming between Fort Laramie and Fort Connor, now in Wyoming but then part of the territory of the Dakotas.

Just then the Fenian movement was at its height. Irish patriots in America planned to force Irish freedom by an armed march on Canada from the United States. Greer joined the movement.

Fenians Collapse

He came back to New York state to await orders to participate in the "invasion," but the movement collapsed.

So in 1867 Greer returned west and went back to freight hauling. He



FRANCIS GREER AND HIS SISTER, MRS. MARY H. KILBURN.

Ear Helps the Eye Play on Emotions 'Roused by Films

By JAMES W. DEAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Hungry Hearts," as cinema plays go, is rather drab except for the dramatic characterization of Rosa Rosanova in the mother role. However, it lends itself to synchronization with stirring music and the ear can thus bring stimulation not sensed by the eye.

I watched S. L. Rothafel, director of the Capitol, the world's largest theater, score "Hungry Hearts." Erno Rapee, musical director, and a piano player, were with him in the small projection room.

Several bars of the "Volga Boat Song" were played as introduction, the tempo of the music being varied with the tempo of the film's action. The opening scenes are in Russia. A letter arrives from America. "Now 'Hail Columbia,'" Rothafel shouted. "Play it slowly." That incident over, a Russian folk dance was ordered by Rothafel, projection of the film being stopped until a suitable air was hit upon.

Then the boat bringing the immigrants was shown passing the Statue of Liberty. Rothafel was on his feet, shouting out the notes of "Hail Columbia," the pianist playing fortissimo.

Rothafel seemed in a mad frenzy of patriotism. He could easily have imagined himself chorus leader in the steerage of the boat, swinging his arms in rhythm with the music. However, he was in no frenzy. He was simply letting his imagination have full sway, magnifying the reaction of the song on himself in proportion to the 5400 people who would be sitting in the theater when the orchestra would play it as accompaniment to the picture.

Sitting in the theater later the changes from one theme to the other were hardly perceptible. Unless one is given to analysis, to minute examination of his entertainment, one is not aware whether it is the picture or the musical accompaniment which plays upon its emotions.

went to Cheyenne and later to Salt Lake City. Then he pushed on to San Diego, Calif.

Just then Montana was opening up. Greer went up there. He hauled timber across territory populated by the hostile Sioux Indians. Moving about from place to place, he was in the vicinity of the Custer massacre when it took place.

The other day Greer stepped off a train here. "I'm ready to settle down now," he said, "except I'd kinda like to see Cuba."

HAIR DRESSING

In France women are dressing the hair to make the head look as small as possible. The locks are pulled straight back and coiled at the neck with the greatest simplicity. There is a tendency over there to keep the outline of the head small, but the hair is arranged softly about the face. This is much more flattering to the average woman.

DIVORCE LAWS FOR ALL NATION URGED BY JONES

Twentieth Amendment to Constitution Proposed for Regulating Marriages

By HARRY HUNT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—National uniform marriage and divorce laws—embodied in a 20th constitutional amendment—will be sought through the new congress.

Ministerial and reform organizations are behind the movement to dig out of the Senate Judiciary committee a resolution buried there 19 months. It was introduced by Senator Wesley L. Jones, of Washington.

Some reasons advanced are: The United States grants more divorces than all other nations combined.

Divorces in America increased 160 per cent in 20 years, while population increased 40 per cent.

Forty-seven states have 47 different divorce cords and congress enacts another for the District of Columbia and territories.

South Carolina alone does not allow divorce for any cause.

New York and the District of Columbia grant divorce for one cause only—infidelity—while reasons for divorce elsewhere run as high as 14 in New Hampshire.

Different codes make some people bigamists and their children illegitimate in one state and legally married and with legitimate offsprings in another.

"This conflict," says Dr. Renwick H. Martin, of Pittsburg, a leader of the National Reform bureau, "tends to break down respect for those laws themselves and to their loose interpretation. This tends to lessen respect for marriage."

Figures to be presented to congress show divorces today are in excess of one every nine marriages. The rate is growing. Los Angeles is at top speed; six years ago the divorce rate there was one to every five marriages, now five to one.

Statistics covering 30 years show total marriages in America decreased during two years (1894 and 1904) and divorces increased each year. Latest figures show in one year 1,040,778 marriages as against 112,036 divorces. Women obtain seven of every 10 divorces.

Ten years previously the divorce total of the country was 72,062 and 20 years previously 42,937. The increase in 10 years was 55 per cent and in 20 years 160 per cent.

Seek National Standard

The movement for a 20th amendment aims toward a national standard below which no state may go although any state may enforce more rigid standards.

It has been suggested New York's law—permitting divorce for infidelity only—be made the national standard.

Supporting this plan are statistics showing there was a 20 per cent decrease in divorce last year in New York City over the previous year, as against a five per cent decrease in marriages.

Figures also show the number of divorces per 100,000 is only half as much in New York as in the United States as a whole.

Severe Earthquake Reported in Japan

LONDON, Dec. 9.—A severe earthquake at Kiusiu, the southernmost of the three principal islands of Japan, is reported in a Tokio dispatch to the Central News. Many persons are said to have been killed or injured and hundreds of houses were destroyed.

Nagasaki is the principal city of Kiusiu, being situated on the west coast of the island. The surface of the island is of a mountainous nature. There are a number of active volcanoes the greatest of which is Asosan, whose crater is 12 miles in circumference.

Flagstaff School Shows Net Profit

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 9.—A net profit of \$2,655.41 was made by the Northern Arizona Normal school at Flagstaff in the operation of the dormitory and the dining hall during the period from July 1 to October 31 according to a report made today by E. R. Byers deputy state auditor to Charles W. Fairfield, state auditor. Mr. Byers returned from Flagstaff today where he made an audit of the accounts of the school.

SAY CHILDERS DIED TO HELP ERIN'S CAUSE

Widow Says He Was Slain for Devotion to Liberty as Americans See Freedom

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Erskine Childers

British-born fighter for Irish independence, went to his death at the hands of Irish Free State executioners breathing defiance and declaring that the Irish people some day would repudiate the Anglo-Irish treaty and form an independent state of the type for which he died.

This is brought out by a last statement from Childers issued in prison and printed today exclusively in the Review through NEA Service.

Childers' last words were:

"I am proud to die for a principle greater than any government or any country. It is true I am English in the strict sense of the word, but I deny that accident of birth can limit the human mind and I have been ready to fight for the liberty of mankind against tyranny wherever found."

"I am condemned to death by men who were ready to condemn tyranny when exercised by the English in Ireland, but who take another view when it is a question of maintaining their own positions, positions won by betraying the cause for which so many of their countrymen died."

"One day the people of Ireland will awake to the fact that they have been betrayed and that it was left to 'this damned Englishman,' as I have been called, to remain true to the principles for which the best and bravest sons of Erin have given their lives gladly."

"Friends of liberty the whole world over will realize that I have not sacrificed my life in vain."

"I face my fate proudly conscious of the great privilege that is mine of dying for the cause of liberty, a cause more often betrayed than served these days."

Erskine Childers' American wife, an invalid, who directed from her sickbed a fruitless fight to save his life, has issued through the Review and NEA Service the following statement:

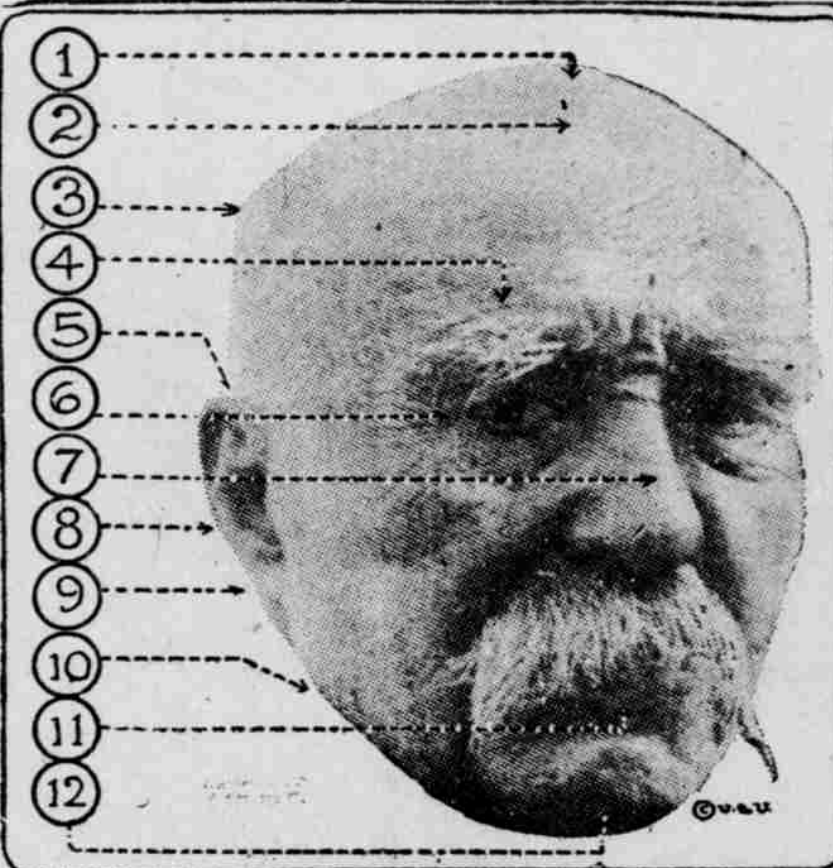
"He has died as I could have wished and I am prouder of him now in death than ever in life."

"If there is a God in Heaven he will take note of what has been done and in His own time will punish the guilty."

"I have but one thought now and that is that the cause for which he died should be the gain by his death. To my countrymen and women in America I would say:

"My husband has been slain for his devotion to liberty as we Americans understand it. Republicanism as it is known in American states has been our ideal and we have drawn inspiration from the lives of the great men who built up the glorious republic of the west."

"Those who cherish the memory and teachings of those great ones will not deem my husband unworthy to rank with them as one of those who have sealed with their lives their devotion to the great cause."



Phrenologist Explains Just How Clemenceau's Head Indicates He is Truly the "Father of Victory"

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The nature of a man and the qualities that make him great are marked indelibly on the head and face. So say the scientists learned in phrenology and physiognomy.

What about Georges Clemenceau? What makes the "tiger" great?

A new photograph of the famous Frenchman—now the most notable figure before the American public—has been studied for NEA service by Jessie Allen Fowler, America's leading phrenologist.

Miss Fowler has written for NEA service about "the 12 points" of Clemenceau:

By JESSIE ALLEN FOWLER, Vice President, American Institute of Phrenology.

Clemenceau is the man of the hour. Judging from his head, face and organization, he has well been termed "Tiger of France" and "Father of Victory."

To a scientific observer he shows

what a remarkable physique he has, and what a wonderful tenacity and hold on life he possesses.

His motive temperament gives him his wiry constitution and ability to endure fatigue. He is a man of exceptional combination of power. He blends the strength of the motive or active temperament with that of the mental or thoughtful and far-seeing temperament.

Note Clemenceau's chief points:

1. The height of his head above the ears gives him will power, great determination of mind and a persevering spirit.
2. He has exceptional sympathy for humanity; benevolence is his strongest moral faculty.
3. Exceptional foresight springs from his large cautiousness.
4. His brow gives him his immense mental perception.
5. His energy is prodigious and victorious.

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BASIL THOMSON SEES ROOM FOR MANY CHANGES

Former Head of Famous Scotland Yard Tells How Leaks in Justice May Be Halted

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 9.—"Ameri-

ca is still living on the remnants of the old British system of jurisprudence brought over before the American revolution. That is one reason why many individual American states have more executions annually than all of England and Wales combined."

Sir Basil Thomson, K. C. B., former head of the criminal investigation bureau of Scotland Yard, Britain's world famous detective service, makes this declaration. Thomson is a lawyer of note, too, so he is qualified to discuss the legal phases. His ability as a detective was attested by his appointment as British director of intelligence during the war.

"The old British penal code was terribly severe," continued Sir Basil. "A man could be hanged for the theft of \$10. Long prison terms could be imposed on persons who were in debt."

"As the injustice of such penalties became apparent, judges were wont to allow defendants to raise every possible legal quibble or technicality to save themselves. By the time the colonies brought over this court system, the procedure was filled with many of these legal steps for delaying sentence."

"Then came the reform of the British penal system early in the nineteenth century. The penalties were made more in keeping with the crimes."

Less Loopholes

"With reduction of the penalties came also reduction of the number of loopholes which had been allowed to creep into the old system. The result is that a person convicted of a crime cannot use appeals, demurrers and other procedure to delay execution of sentence until public interest in the case is gone and freedom can be

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